

Hartley's

A DISPLAY OF ORIENTAL RUGS

On the Fourth Floor is attracting the attention it deserves, and many compliments have been passed by people who know, on the quality and lowness of price. There are some exquisite pieces in Mr. Dahir's collection, and he's only too glad to point out the merits of every rug he has. As there are over a hundred, all told, you and he could have quite a lengthy conversation.

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The Coolest Kinds of UNDERWEAR FOR MEN AT 50c.

Genuine French Balbriggan, made of fine Egyptian yarn. Shirts with long or short sleeves.

Drawers to match with double bicycle seats, suspender tapes, double stitched bands.

FOR WOMEN

Gauze Sleeveless Vests at 10 & 15c
Lisle vests, 25, 35 and 50c.

Silk Vests \$1, \$1.50 and \$2.

FOR BOYS

Gauze Vests and Pants 25c.

FOR MISSES

Gauze Vests 15 and 25c.

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FAIRMONT, WEST VA.

ANDERSON'S BON TON.

Special Sale of Street Hats
Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, May 26, 27 & 28.
About 30 Street Hats at just Half Price.

What Phipps and Atchinson Hats we have go in

This Sale

Just think, \$5.00 Hat for

\$2.50

Beautifully Trimmed Hats and Prices the Lowest.

Children's Hats!

A SPECIAL LOT of trimmed Hats for only

\$1.00.

16 SIXTEEN 16

Lots in Morrow Place at the original Price. From \$200.00 to \$800.00.

Marion Real Estate Company

Kentucky Horses For Sale.

Twenty-two head of fine Kentucky horses, saddlers and drivers will be sold by T. O. HARGIS, at public auction on

Saturday, June 4,

at the stables of CHILSON & CLAY, TOR, on Jackson street.

I have decidedly the best lot of horses ever shipped to your city.

For further particulars call at stable.

REMEMBER THE BASEMENT AND WHAT IT CONTAINS.

It's fine weather now but there'll be a "shower" soon and you want to be prepared.

Practical, useful, everyday articles in the Basement, bought especially for "showers."

Draw on the BASEMENT.

Charming Collection of Women's Wash Waists.

On the Second Floor there is an assortment of waists for women not to be equaled outside of the large city stores. The variety of styles and materials is broad and complete, and no one has ever said that our waists didn't fit. That's only one of their strong points though. We have picked at random this particular waist

The "Bertha" at 98c.

Of India Linen, Val Lace insertion, deep pointed bertha, two rows of Val insertion in bertha, lace on edge. Cuffs and collar to match.

YOUR CHOICE OF WOMEN'S WOOL SUITS 1-3 OFF.

"RED" HERBERT SIGNED

MANAGER SLACK MAKES INTERESTING ANNOUNCEMENT—HERBERT IS STYLED A "HOME RUN KNOCKER."

BACHMAN, FORMERLY WITH THE WHEELING TEAM WAS ALSO SIGNED—THE LINE-UP IS A GOOD ONE.

Manager Slack and Tom Haymond returned from Wheeling last night.

They were successful in their search for good men and the signing of "Red" Herbert is the biggest surprise of the season. He was with Marion in the Central League this year, but a slight case of rheumatism put him out of the game for a week or so and he has decided to try this climate in hope that it will be beneficial to his troublesome malady. If it is helpful, Herbert will stay here all season.

The "Wheeling News" of last Friday, speaks of "Red" as the "home run knocker." He has been in fast minor league companies for several years and knows base ball as very few men do.

As a first baseman, Herbert has no peers in the smaller leagues, and everyone who has a knowledge of base ball knows that an old head with a bunch of youngsters is indispensable to their success.

Bachman, the clever young twirler, who was with Wheeling a part of last season, and who was let go because of the twelve men rule, was also signed by Slack.

He will be here in a day or so, and will be on the rubber against Bellaire Sunday.

Lee Lewellyn, the old W. V. U. star, is securing two of the best men in Pittsburg for the locals. He refuses to make their names public for a day or two, but will come on here with them before Saturday.

Lain, a man they secured this week, is a clever young infielder, recommended by Sammy Nichols, that veteran second baseman who has seen service in all the big leagues.

As stated above, Bachman will pitch, with Lain at short, Herbert on first, Westlake second, Heim third, Bryson in left, Wayman center and Hall, of Ashland, Ky., right.

A slight change may be made in the line-up.

GERMAN COMEDY

To Be Presented This Evening at High School Chapel.

The German class of the Fairmont High School, under the direction of its teacher, Miss Jeannette Carter, will present a very pleasing little German comedy at the High School chapel this evening. The senior and junior classes and faculty of the High School, the German classes and teachers from the Normal School, the German students and teachers from Westover and a number of people about the city who speak German, have been invited to be present.

The following is the program as it will be rendered this evening:

National Song—"Die Wacht am Rhein." Class.

Recitation—"Der Handschuh," Schiller, Nannie Cox.

Song—"Roslein auf der Heiden," Class.

Story—"Ein Abenteuer von Munchhausen," Clyde Neill.

Song—"Die Lorelei," Class.

Marchen—"Der Goldene Schlüssel" (Grimm), Earl McCray.

Song—"Wiedentied" (Lullaby), Class.

Comedy—"Versalzen" by class.

Characters:

Hertha, (a bride) Carrie Black.

Arnold, (husband) Wirt Faust.

Seebury, (guest) Cree Sheets.

Trudchen, (maid) Clara Lloyd.

Wittkow, (Judge) Gay Lough.

Ulrike, (Judge's wife) Cilda Smith.

Song—"Du liegst mir im Herzen," Class.

Poem—"Scheiden Auf Wiedersehen," Clara Lloyd.

Song—"Do bist wie eine Blume," Brobst.

Popular Candidate Dead.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., May 25.—(Special.)—George E. Vangilder died here at ten o'clock last night. He leaves a wife and four children. He was the assessor of the Second district and a candidate for re-election on the Republican ticket. At the recent primary he ran ahead of any one else on the ticket. He was 43 years old.

Two Fine Barbers.

C. J. Gould, of Cincinnati, is now working with Ed. Ferrell at the Tavern barber shop. Mr. Gould was formerly located in Fairmont, for several years, associated with Ernest Sherwood, on Jefferson street.

The Tavern has, without a doubt, one of the finest shops in the State, and in Messrs. Ferrell and Gould, two of the best workmen in the same confines.

IN A BOX CAR

TWO FELLOWS WERE FOUND AND THIS MORNING THEY HAD A HEARING BEFORE JUSTICE BENNINGTON.

Chief Morgan received word last night that two men were on a freight train coming into this city. He took Officer Fleming and went down into the yards where they found C. J. Summerfield and James McDonald on the inside of a car of merchandise. They were arrested and brought to the city jail where they remained until this morning when they were brought before Justice Bennington. They claim that they saw the car open and got inside to ride. The car is supposed to have been sealed but the men claim that one of the doors was loose. They were fined ten dollars each for train riding, and as they neither one had any money, they are in the county jail.

As soon as the officers can ascertain for sure whether it was in this or Taylor county that the men entered the car, they will be brought up on the more serious charge of breaking a lock. For safe keeping they were sent to jail on the charge of train riding. Summerfield says that he lives at Grafton, and that he is a nephew of the ex-sheriff of Preston county. He wrote to that relative this morning about his troubles.

A Letter From Officer Gould.

Fairmont, W. Va.,

May 25, 1904.

To the Editors of the West Virginian: Owing to the fact that a great many false reports are being circulated concerning the incident that occurred at Gallaher & Nelson's saloon in the City of Fairmont on Saturday night, May 21st, I consider that in fairness to myself, the public in general should know the facts about the matter.

About 10:30 Saturday night while standing on the street corner near the residence of Jacob Hayden, I heard a racket in the neighborhood of said saloon. I immediately started in that direction, and on arriving at the saloon ascertained that there was a general fight in progress just in front of the saloon building in which at least a half dozen parties were interested. I ran into the crowd and attempted to quell the riot and was struck on the arm with a brick or other missile, and at about the same instant that I was struck on the arm some one struck at my face with a "billy" or "pair of knucks." I arrested one of the participants who in attempting to get away ran up the stairs in the saloon building. The principal factor in the fight started to run up the alley by the side of the saloon, and after halting him two or three times, with no effect, I fired my revolver in the air, believing that it might frighten him, but he got away. Realizing the character of the individuals engaged in the fight, I made no demonstrations, whatever, except what I deemed was absolutely necessary in order that the arrest of the participants might be effected. It has been reported that I was drunk, which report is absolutely false. As to my conduct and character during the time I have served on the police force of the city, I refer to the citizens of the Second ward, it being the ward in which my duties as such policeman have been performed.

Respectfully,

W. G. GOULD.

SECURE A DATE.

The splendid new dancing pavilion at East Fairmont Park, will be finished Saturday, the 28th. The pavilion can be secured by lodges or social organizations after June first, free of charge.

Have your date reserved early. Apply to office East Fairmont Park, 301 Main street.

Commencement at Mannington.

MANNINGTON, W. Va., May 25.—(Special.)—The commencement exercises of the Mannington public schools will begin to-morrow evening. These exercises will last for about a week. Superintendent P. C. McBee has done good work in the schools the past year and they are in fine shape.

Morris Home.

Ross Morris returned from Pittsburg last night. He says that Revelations for June will be out in a few days.

To Wed.

A marriage license was issued this afternoon to Joseph Udowich and Mary Iurechich.

Encouraging Reports.

At ten o'clock this morning Senator Quay walked down stairs with a little assistance. He is so much better to-day, that there is hope for his ultimate recovery.

Mrs. Hattie Jones, of Shinnston, is the guest of her aunt, Miss Carrie Shore. She came down yesterday to be present at the funeral of her cousin, Thomas Marshall Fleming.

THE MOST RIGID ECONOMY

HAS BEEN ORDERED IN ALL DEPARTMENTS BY THE LEADING RAILROAD SYSTEMS.

SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND MEN WILL HAVE BEEN LAID OFF BY MIDDLE OF JUNE.

NEW YORK, May 25.—The most radical reduction in the working force of railroads in this country in years is now under way because of severe depression in transportation, according to dispatches from leading traffic managers to the Herald.

The dropping of employees has been under way since April 15, and will not be completed until about the middle of June. It is estimated that at least 75,000 men have been dismissed. Traffic officials in Chicago report that not in several years has traffic been so light, and they express the opinion that the railroads are entering a period of depression not equalled in years. The Eastern railroads feel the depression more than the Western lines, but on all systems the most rigid economy has been ordered in all departments. Railroad managers also declare that the wages must be reduced in a short time. The following table gives the number of men laid off by the railroads:

Pennsylvania system	13,000
Vanderbilt lines	12,000
Railroads out of Chicago	20,000
Gould system	7,500
Harriman line	8,000
Northwestern lines	10,000
Southern Railway	3,000
Other roads	2,000

Total 75,000
With the exception of the panic period beginning in 1893, this is the most general reduction of railroad working forces known at any one time.

OFF TO WHEELING

TO ATTEND THE STATE ECLECTIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION—DR. ELLINGWOOD WILL DELIVER ADDRESS.

Drs. George R. Miller and H. S. Yost, of Fairview, Thomas R. Miller, of Blacksburg, and L. N. Yost, of Fairmont, will leave to-morrow morning for Wheeling to attend the State Eclectic Medical Association which will meet at that place May 26 and 27. Dr. Ellingwood, of Chicago, will deliver an address at the meeting. There are about 100 Eclectics in West Virginia and this promises to be a large and enthusiastic meeting.

Mome From Buckhannon.

Councilman and Mrs. Downs returned yesterday from Buckhannon, where they had been visiting their son James. They report a very pleasant visit.

T. C. Burke, traveling passenger agent for the B. & O., with headquarters in Wheeling, is in our city to-day and called on the West Virginian.

L. HERMAN & CO.,

310 Main Street.

WASH GOODS

Twelve and one-half cent Persian patterns in sheer batiste. They are extremely neat and make such a pretty dress. The quality is unequalled at the price.

Twelve and one-half cent dotted Swiss for dresses in solid colors, including black and white. We have them also in dotted and figured neat designs.

Twelve and one-half cent Mercerized Gingham for a few days we offer this material in a full line of solid colors. This goods is never sold less than 19c and 25c.

Seven cent Batiste and Lawns in full variety of new patterns and remember this is the same grade which sell ordinarily at 10c yd.

Nineteen cent White Mercerized Madras, a 25c grade in choice designs.

SPECIAL Mennen's TALCUM

11c

10c Special Pearl Buttons 5c

SPECIAL Any \$2.50, \$2.25 and \$2.00 Street Hat at \$1.69



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